



Restaurants will bring 'evening culture' to town

DORCHESTER has seen the biggest transformation of the town centre since the opening of the town brewery.

Last weekend the former Eldridge Pope site saw more restaurants open – with each one of them full to bursting.

Normally empty during the evenings the market car park was as full as it would be on a busy market day.

National chains arriving at Brewery Square have created more than a hundred new jobs between them and given local diners more choice than in many neighbouring, larger towns.

Joining Carluccio's and Nando's, the first to open in the development, has been Zizzi, Pizza Express and Wagamama with Costa Coffee opening a second branch in the

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county town, opposite the south rail station.

The openings have also seen the square itself opened for the first time, complete with coloured lights and 37 water fountains, together with the giant screen which overlooks the development.

In time that will be used to show short films and major sporting events. Local youngsters immediately took to the new feature, running in and out of the fountains, watched by diners in restaurants overlooking the new town square.

Andrew Wadsworth, director of Waterhouse, which is developing the former brewery site with Resolution Property, said

the new restaurants, together with the Odeon cinema, have created a new evening culture for Dorchester.

Typical of the new restaurants is Wagamama which has created 30 new jobs with its 96-cover restaurant. Like others it offers outdoor seating for days and evenings of better weather.

"We are very excited to open our newest Wagamama restaurant in Brewery Square, particularly as the opening has been anticipated for over a year now," said general manager Jo Groves.

"We hope to welcome a variety of cinema goers, hotel guests and residents as they soak up the atmosphere of the amazing new development and enjoy our Japanese-inspired dishes."



■ PEOPLE enjoy the new fountain and giant screen in Dorchester's Brewery Square

Neighbours Zizzi is more than double the size with 208 seats, creating more than 20 new jobs.

General Manager, Adrian Rawlings, said:

"We are so excited about the launch of this new restaurant...and because of its unique location and innovative design we think it will be one of our most ex-

citing ventures yet."

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OVER the past 15 years former actress Nicola Kathrens has grown a one-woman clothing business in Coombe Street, Lyme Regis, into one of the town's must-see shopping attractions.

Her unique designs of rare knitwear are tirelessly hand-made and it takes Nicola many hours to create each item. The results are sought by women visiting from all over the world.

■ HOW long have you lived in Lyme and why did you come here?

In 1997, under the cover of night, I detonated an old life in London and as it was burning I quickly packed the two cats and as many belongings as could squeeze into my Mini and I high-tailed it out of there in the direction of Lyme Regis, to re-invent myself and begin a new life by the sea. I enjoyed a busy life in the theatre - I was constantly performing nationally and internationally, living on adrenaline, applause, parties, alcohol and very little sleep. It was a blast but after 15 years I was tired and in need of a rest and a change of scene.

■ WHY did you set up your shop?

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■ WHAT is special about your creations?

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■ OF which creations are you most proud?

It has taken me countless years for me to recognise my skills and feel proud of what I do. Perhaps being brought up a Catholic had some influence. The sin of being proud of one's self would surely send me ricocheting into the fires of hell and eternal damnation? However, as I am now over that, I couldn't and wouldn't single out any one of "my girls" over another. I am proud of everything I make whether intricately laden with stitching and beading or jaw-droppingly simple and understated.



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■ YOU were an actress before a seamstress, of which production are you most proud?

In the 1980s I worked with Common Stock Theatre Company running a show called "Getting Through", a musical for teenagers challenging the stereotyping of young girls going through school. We were invited to be ambassadors of our dear Queen, twice at the world festival of children's theatre in Toronto. I had never witnessed such knee-buckling, awe-inspiring, never to be forgotten, mouth-drying, heart-racing, funny, moving, huge, clever, challenging, brilliant, loud unforgettable and dangerous theatre ever. Or since. It was spoken and sung in languages from all over the world and I was part of that.

■ WHAT do you most like about living here?

I hear the sea, smell the sea and see the sea every single day.

■ HOW do you spend your time when you are not working?

Mostly, I stare into middle distance and practise the art of doing very little - with lie by the fire laziness and a cold glass of prosecco in hand.

■ WHO would be your ideal guests for a dinner party?

Patsy from Absolutely Fabulous, David Attenborough, Imelda Staunton, Sandy Toksvig, Cathy Burke and Bill Bailey - intelligent funny outrageous eloquent company.

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Budding swimmers to get top training



■ **MARK Foster**, six times world swim champion, who will be running a 'swim camp' in Dorchester in June with organiser **Damian Locascio** from Puddletown and **Katy Sexton** MBE who won Gold in 2003 in the world championships for backstroke

ONE of Britain's most successful swimmers of all time, the former six times world champion Mark Foster, will be inspiring the next generation of swimmers in Dorchester in June when he hosts the Mark Foster Swim Academy Swim Camp at Dorchester Sports Centre.

The swim camp will offer the opportunity for local children to be coached by some of the UK's elite swimmers, including Katy Sexton MBE, who won Gold in 2003 in the world championships for backstroke. Children aged between 11 and 17 years can take part in the one-day swim camp on June 1st where they will be put through their paces by the swim academy team.

The children will be coached on all aspects of competitive swimming from improving technique, fitness and land training as well as moti-

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vation, self-belief, and tips on nutrition.

The Mark Foster Swim Academy Swim Camp is part of a national tour and Dorchester Sports Centre is one of the few places in the South West which has been chosen to host this prestigious swimming event.

Swim Camp Organiser Damian Locascio from Puddletown is a former international swimmer who used to train with Mark Foster.

Damian said the swim camp provides a fantastic opportunity for keen local swimmers to be coached by the very best.

He said: "The swim camp will provide long term inspiration for the next generation of local and talented swimmers who want to continue the swimming legacy which Mark and his team have

achieved.

"The children will give a unique insight into how to improve technique and motivation as well as positive feedback on their performance."

"We hope to provide further swim camps in the future at Dorchester Sports Centre and we will be providing four free places for the swim camp in partnership with 1610."

Swim camp places cost £97 for the day and include a Mark Foster Swim Academy T shirt, swimming cap and a book on tips and follow up training. Please contact Dorchester Sports Centre for details: Tel 01305 858400

For more information about the Mark Foster Swim Academy please visit: www.mfsa.co.uk

DORCHESTER news briefs

Council views church plans

Town councillors have had their first look at plans for the new Dorchester Community Church in Trinity Street.

The district council and developers are paying for the move of the church from Acland Road to its new home to allow redevelopment of the whole area to take place.

Plans for the new church include 20 car parking spaces to the rear of the building; a large hall, café and kitchen, three meeting rooms and a crèche.

A final decision on the development will be taken by West Dorset planners later in the year.

Take part in police forum

PEOPLE are being encouraged to take part in forums being organised by the new Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner.

Community groups, organisations and individuals across the county are also being asked to get in touch and make their views known.

Commissioner Martyn Underhill said he will do his best to make sure people's voices are heard – but needs to know their views on policing before he can do so.

His office is establishing a pool of PCC engagement volunteers in each of the eight local authority areas in Dorset.

PCC Engagement Volunteers can be individuals, or representatives of community organisations.

For further information contact Susan Bickle, Community Engagement Officer at the Dorset Police Headquarters on 01202 223743 or by emailing susan.bickle@dorset.pnn.police.uk.

Dorchester goes to the polls

THE Dorchester area goes to the polls today – to elect new county councillors who will represent the area for the next four years.

Polling stations will be open from 7am this morning, Thursday, May 2nd, until 10pm.

Across the county a total of 188 candidates will be standing for 45 council seats in 42 electoral divisions – the majority are single councillor divisions but in Dorchester there are two councillors per division.

Eleven councillors have decided not to stand again including council leader Angus Campbell and former Cabinet member David Crowhurst from Broadmayne who represented the Linden Lea division.

The Dorchester area candidates are:

Dorchester - (two member ward): Vivienne Allan, Conservative; Richard Biggs, Liberal Democrat; Vicki Black, Labour and Co-operative Party; Glyn Gaskarth, Conservative; Libby Goodchild, Green Party; Len Herbert, Green Party; Trevor Jones, Liberal Democrat; Geoffrey Markham, UK Independence Party; Jeffrey St Aubyn, UK Independence Party; Barry Thompson, Labour and Co-operative Party.

Linden Lea - Andy Canning, Liberal Democrat; Andy Hutchings, Labour and Co-operative Party; Mary Penfold, Conservative Party; Hilary Woodall, Green Party.

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"BEAT the burglar" and "foil the fire", were two of the messages from Dorset's second rural crime event at Kingston Maurward.

The well-attended event included dozens of commercial and non-commercial stands each offering hints and tips to increase security in the countryside.

The emergency services were well represented, including Neighbourhood Police Inspector, Les Fry, who organised the first event.

"In these challenging times we want to help people to make it harder for criminals to commit crime by taking appropriate crime prevention steps."

PC Tony Tester was amongst the police officers at the event, bringing along the quad bike he uses for patrols in wood and heathland areas.

"The year, before we had this, one of my patrol areas had about ten serious fires. Last year it was down to two...people know that we're about and, despite difficult terrain, can reach them if we have to," he said.

Other police exhibits on the day included a mobile shed which they had



■ FIREFIGHTERS with the full-scale model of a horse used to practise equine rescues. The team are Ian Read, Andy Gorrington, Peter Stone, Allen Smith and Neil Ditch

brought along to demonstrate the range of security equipment which can be attached both to the building and the contents.

Firefighters were also on hand, offering advice on preventing rural fires, both on farm premises and on many of the county's areas of heath and grassland

where arsonists often prey in the warmer months of the year.

The team, which included Beaminster firefighter Peter Stone, also demonstrated, with the aid of a full-sized horse model, how they would carry out equine rescues.

Speakers at the day in-

cluded: James Vaughan, Assistant Chief Constable Dorset Police; Shawn Whitley, Neighbourhood Inspector Dorset Police; Councillor Ray Nottage; Robert Lasseter, Dorset Farmer and Michael O'Sullivan, Risk and Compliance Director Facewatch Ltd.

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Police tackle doorstep crime

DORSET police and trading standards officers have been targeting rogue traders and pushy doorstep sellers who use fraud to con vulnerable people into paying for unnecessary or

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vastly overpriced work to their home. Safer Neighbourhood teams across Dorset last week worked with Trading Standards Officers to

stop and speak to any tradesperson they saw working on houses or in gardens.

Crime Prevention and Design Advisor for Dorset Police, Debbie Oldfield,

said: "If you feel that you have been a victim of a rogue trader please do not feel embarrassed. Contact Dorset Police or Trading Standards and report it.

"By working together

we can try to stop this sort of heinous crime."

Advice offered to deal with callers at the door includes:

- Always remember to put the chain on the door before opening it.

- Do not phone any telephone number provided by the caller, it could be bogus.

- Always check the caller's identity by phoning the number in the telephone book. Shut the door and get them to wait outside. A genuine caller will be happy to wait.

- Never agree to any work offered on the doorstep, no matter how urgent the caller says it is.

- Always get three quotes for work and if possible get recommendations from family and friends.

- Never pay cash upfront.

- A trader must provide you with cancellation rights in writing.

If concerned or intimidated by a caller at your door then please call Dorset Police on 999.

For more information, or to report anything suspicious, please call Dorset Police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Dorset sees a high number of custodial sentences

DORSET magistrates are jailing a higher percentage of offenders than in other parts of the country.

Latest figures show that custodial sentences are imposed in just over three per cent of all Dorset court hearings, compared to half that rate in the counties of Warwickshire and Northumbria. But despite this the national average for custodial sentences is 3.8 per cent of all appearances.

The Howard League for Penal Reform is using the statistics to try and encourage magistrates to make more use of community sentences which, it argues, results in a better outcome for the offender and society as a whole.

Dorset magistrates courts sentenced 12,180 people during 2011, of which 379 were custodial. This figure is much lower than ten years earlier when almost twice as many people could have expected a custodial sentence.

The Howard League believes there should be more consistency in sentencing across the country. Chief Executive Frances Crook said: "Community sentences are much cheaper than custody and they deliver better results."

"They not only address the person's offending, but allow them access to other services they may need, such as help with drink, drugs or mental health problems."

Plea for safer parking

RESIDENTS in a Dorchester street are calling for help to stop poor parking outside their homes.

They claim the situation is putting lives and property at risk.

Steve Walker from Sydenham Way is pleading with local councillors to take action. He says his hedge has been crushed by an unidentified large vehicle as it was forced to mount the pavement to get around parked cars.

"Drivers frequently park across the corners of the T junction, making it impossible for pedestrians to cross with prams or walking aids, or for delivery vehicles to safely negotiate the turning," he said in a letter to town and district councillors.

ViewLetters

Has party politics come into play?

■ OF late I have questioned both my expectations of and my contribution to West Dorset District Council (WDDC) to which I was elected almost two years ago. Finding a healthy degree of openness, honesty and transparency would have been a good start but, to date, I've seen precious little evidence of this.

Like many others I was flabbergasted when, out of nowhere, 1,000 new homes were proposed for Came View to the south east of Dorchester beyond the bypass. Not only is this site of huge importance in archaeological and cultural terms but it scored badly in WDDC's own sustainability assessment of various sites in West Dorset.

At the last full council meeting (26th February 2013) we were informed that there had been significant objection to further housing on Sherborne's Barton Farm site despite the benefits that a new A30 Marston Magna link road would have on traffic in the town centre. I asked what the criteria were for the use of the term "significant" but was given no answer.

At a briefing session for councillors held on Monday 22nd April we were informed that the Came View site, a late addition to the new Local Plan, was promoted by the cabinet or Executive Committee (comprising just six councillors, two of whom represent Sherborne and its immediate catchment area) and that the Barton Farm site in Sherborne was not being considered. I, and others, are wondering why this is so and are doubtful that the Sherborne site will feature when the Policy Scrutiny Committee discuss this issue at their meeting on Monday 13th May.

I am an independent councillor having no party allegiance and I find it disturbing that on a major planning issue with serious implications for the future, an issue which should be considered by all 48 councillors dispassionately and on planning grounds/merit alone, it would appear that party politics has come into play.

Councillor Robert Gould, the leader of the District Council (representing the Queen Thorne ward just outside Sherborne) is also the cabinet member (Environment) of the county council (representing Sherborne). In his anxiety to retain his county council seat (perhaps with a view to running for the leadership of that council too?) and not rock the Tory boat in the safest of its havens, has the leader of WDDC knowingly engineered matters so that this last minute housing allocation is "dumped" on Dorchester?

If readers feel that high-handed actions like this are bringing WDDC's reputation into disrepute then I would suggest they write to the Chief Executive expressing their concerns.

Councillor Alistair Chisholm
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Help needed for carnival

DORCHESTER Carnival organisers are appealing for help with this year's procession on Saturday, June 15th.

The annual event, organised by Dorchester Round Table, now has to provide its own marshalls for the route. Their duties include closing roads to traffic when the procession passes. In years past this used to be undertaken by the police but cuts in the service means the force no longer has enough staff for the task.

Carnival chairman Ben King is now appealing to other service clubs in the town, such as Rotary and the Lions, or individuals to offer their support. Round Table itself is down to less than a dozen active members all of which will be carrying out other jobs at the time of the early evening procession.

Mr King says the job will last from 5.45pm to 7.45pm, dependant of number of entries into the procession.

He is asking potential volunteers to contact him by email - benking362@yahoo.co.uk.

A meeting for marshalls will be called nearer to the procession date to explain, in detail, what is needed.

Quiz for charity

A QUIZ to raise money for the local Children's Society group is being held this evening, Thursday 2nd, at St George's church hall at 7.30pm.

Guests are invited to bring their own drinks to go with a ploughman's supper which is included in the £5 cost. Tickets can be obtained by calling 01305 262668.

Garden and craft event

A GARDEN and craft event is being held at the Dorchester Cat's Protection charity shop in Great Western Road this Saturday, May 4th.

From 10am until 1pm there will be stalls selling plants, books and a children's tombola in the car park to the rear of the shop.

David's born to be wild

A DORCHESTER bus driver is about to set off on a dream trip of a lifetime.

David Lucas will be riding a Harley Davidson motorcycle across the United States - a 3,450 mile trip.

He is hoping to raise thousands of pounds for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and has been given £1,000 in sponsorship already by his employers, the First bus group.

David will be riding as part of an organised group from Chicago to Santa Monica with his visit including a tour of the factory where the iconic motorcycles are made and a visit to the Harley Museum.

"I have always wanted a Harley ever since I passed my test in 1978 and will be getting one as almost as soon as I get back," said David, who is full of praise for his employers for not only sponsoring him, but allowing him extended leave.



■ DAVID Lucas from Dorchester with a Harley Davidson motorcycle, similar to the one he plans to ride across the United States, raising money for the Air Ambulance

by Trevor Bevens
trevorbevins@gmail.com

David will be funding the estimated £4,500 once in a lifetime trip from his savings. The cost also includes his flights, fuel and accom-

modation.

"It's a lot of money, but it's something I have always wanted to do. I'll be joined by riders from the States and other

countries, but I have been told I am the only rider from the UK."

Mr Lucas has set up a Just Giving page where people can make donations to the Air Ambulance for his trip.

It can be found at - www.justgiving.com/david-lucas58.

Waitrose encourages children to get growing

WAITROSE in Dorchester has presented seed kits to four local schools as part of a project to encourage healthy eating.

The "Grow and Sell Seed Kits" encourages schools to sell the produce they grow at school fetes or come back to Waitrose and sell the produce to the local branch.

The four schools included in the initiative are: Dorchester Middle School, St Osmunds Middle School, St Marys Middle School and Westfield Technology College.

"The aim is to support key stage two school chil-

dren and inspire them to grow their produce during the summer months, providing opportunities for children to understand where food comes from and the investment needed to achieve the end product, said department manager Mark Andre.

The kits are produced from the Waitrose Farm at the Leckford Estate and comprise of Coir pots, Dibbers, Rice husk pots, Compost discs, wooden markers and a propagator.

Mr Andre and Jade Atkin from the town centre store are coordinating the scheme.

Friday food market

A FRIDAY food market is to start in Martinstown at the end of May.

Organisers hope that the event will be well-supported and will become a regular event, at least for the summer months.

The first Martinstown Market will be held on Friday, May 31st on the village green.

The rights for the village to have a market date back to 1268 when King Henry III granted a charter to hold a market and fair on St Martin's Day, November 11th, each year. This was later moved to November 23rd and the fair continued until 1778.

The Martinstown Market organisers are hoping to attract a diversity of Dorset food specialists although pitches are limited. Anyone who is interested is asked to contact Chris Norcott on 07712891107 or email on mtownmarket@outlook.com.

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Future spinners take the wheel

by Trevor
Bevins

THE Dorset Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers welcomed 22 young people, ranging in age from four years up to 15, to a children's workshop on Saturday, April 27th during one of their monthly meetings.

A wide variety of crafts were on offer for the young people to experience – spinning, drop spindle spinning, weaving, inkle and tri-loom weaving, braiding including the traditional Japanese craft of kumihimo braiding.

Organisers say it was a rewarding time for, not only the young people, but for the members of the guild who were passing on these traditional skills to the next generation.

■ Pictured are youngsters trying their hand at traditional skills during a Dorset Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers workshop in Dorchester on Saturday.



Lollipop celebration

LOLLIPOP officers from across Dorset were in Dorchester last week to celebrate 60 years of helping children cross the road.

To commemorate this achievement Road Safety GB, the patrol's national body, has commissioned a special badge and certificate for all school crossing patrol officers.

Rob Camp, road safety officer for Dorset County Council, said: "It is a great achievement for the service and although we have seen some changes the role is essentially the same today as it was 60-years-ago."

The idea for school crossing patrols came in the late 1940s in the London Boroughs of Dagenham and Barking when two of the newly created road safety officers recognised a growing problem with the safety of child pedestrians given the increasing volume of traffic on roads. The idea proved popular and spread to other London boroughs. The service was officially created by the School Crossing Patrol Act in 1953. The first official patrol started work in 1954.

Rural Dorset currently has 57 school crossing sites, employing 54 patrols. The service currently has three vacancies, one each in Dorchester, Charminster and Bridport.

Learn to play croquet

AN invitation has gone out to learn to play croquet with the Kingston Maurward Croquet Club.

The club uses the lawns within the grounds of the college.

It will be offering beginners lessons from 2pm - 4pm on six Monday afternoons starting on May 13th.

All equipment is provided. For more information please ring (01305) 260290.

Specialist plant fair

SPECIALIST nurseries will be out in force for the Athelhampton Plant Fair being held this Sunday, May 5th from 10.30am until 3pm.

Stalls from the Dorset Wildlife Trust, Dorset Butterfly Conservation and the Plant Heritage Dorset group will also be at the event at Athelhampton House.

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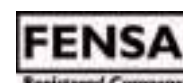
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Students learn secrets of a good interview with View From's Trevor

VIEW from Dorchester's reporter Trevor Bevins has been helping Thomas Hardy's students learn interview techniques and how to write-up the results.

The pupils are taking part in a project which will see them interview older people, recording memories of their leisure time.

Later in the year these will be included in an exhibition and used on a smart phone app with some of the records being deposited in the County Records Office.

Trevor, who works part-time for *View from Dorchester*, is a former BBC senior producer who used to run BBC Dorset FM as well as presenting its breakfast programme. He has also taken part in a number of national projects collecting people's memories both of dialect and their wartime experiences.

The FreeTime project invited Trevor to talk about some of these ex-



VIEW from Dorchester reporter Trevor Bevins chats to students from Thomas Hardy's School about the art of interviewing

periences to students in the English Department.

He covered key approaches in securing an interesting story from interviewees, including asking open-ended questions and taking a keen interest in what people are saying – the technique of “active listening”.

The ability to ask open-ended questions is very important in many vocations, not just jour-

nalism, and includes sales, counselling and education. Trevor told the group how: “In journalism, stories are all about people and how they are affected by events. Audiences want to experience the emotion and asking open-ended questions is a basic way to gather information. But like everything else, there's a skill to it.”

Other tips included

how to use silences, not to leap in and fill any awkward gaps, but allow the people you are interviewing to fill them, giving them a chance to think more about your questions.

The students practiced the advice and went through the questions they will be asking in oral history interviews.

The project website is at www.free-timeourstories.org.uk.

Step closer to community ownership

by Stuart Broom

THE next move to Dorchester Town Football Club becoming community owned was announced at a public meeting last week when current chairman Shaun Hearn confirmed he will transfer half of his majority share to Dorchester Town FC Community Trust on May 17th.

Around 150 supporters attended the Dorford Centre to hear the intentions of both parties along with those of guest speakers James Mathie of Supporters Direct, an organisation set up by the government to promote the value of supporters and community involvement, and Martin Clayton, a member of Lewes FC who have embraced the community ownership approach.

The plans would see Hearn and the trust each own 27 and a half per cent of his share in the first instance, to allow the chairman time to ensure that the backing of such a scheme

has support. He said: “Instead of taking the line of transferring the shares in one hit, I want to see that the confidence and backing is there. It's safe to say the model will be changing for next season and I think if we all pull together it will be fantastic for the club.”

However the public were warned by Neal Butterworth, current treasurer of the trust and the nominated joint chairman of the new alliance with Hearn, that: “It won't be easy, and we can't do it on our own.”

The audience was told that the long term plans were to make the club more sustainable, where, as a community owned club, it needed to live within its means as it will not be

able to call upon an individual to bail out any shortfall.

The plans also included the inclusion of Dorchester Town Youth FC who were seen as the future of the club on the pitch in providing a smooth transition from a young age hopefully to making the first team.

After the meeting was thrown open to the floor where the speakers were joined by John Greenslade, the trust chairman and Lloyd Spracklen from the youth set-up, with a number of points discussed relating to topics ranging from transparency of accounts to the cost of floodlighting.

Mr Butterworth concluded: “We don't have all the answers; it's a bit of a leap of faith we know that, but there are a lot of examples of clubs who have gone down this road and are living within their means. Working together, we can make this work for the club and the community.”

A fond farewell for community lecture leader

THE teacher who has organised the popular community lectures at the Thomas Hardy School was praised for his work by head Mike Foley at his last event on Monday evening.

Richard Cain will be retiring from the school at the end of the term – having headed a team which has raised around £14,000 for various charities since the talks began in 2002.

His last, presented by forensic scientist, John Manlove, packed the school theatre, as have all of the

other eight talks in this year's series.

When the events started they attracted barley 50 people. Today each talk is over-subscribed and usually sells out within days of tickets becoming available.

Head Mike Foley said the lectures were one of the most popular public events run by the school and were a tribute to the hard work and dedication of Mr Cain and his team.

The retiring teacher was presented with a giant card, organised

by pupils at the school who had secretly collected signatures from those who attend the talks.

Dr Manlove explained in his talk what forensic scientists do and how they carry out their work, helping the police to gain prosecutions.

His illustrated talk included scenes of crimes and he told of how pollen, fluid samples and even insects could help improve the probability of a successful prosecution.

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Writer talks to U3A

WRITER Eve Bonham will be talking to the Dorchester U3A group at their meeting on Monday, May 6th.

The event, which starts at 10am, will be held at the Holy Trinity Parish Centre in Culliford Road North. The meeting will also include a plant sale.

The June meeting, held on the first Monday, will feature a talk about Brownsea Island and the July meeting a talk by a former chef on the Royal Yacht.

Further information about the Dorchester University of the Third Age, which runs a number of interest groups, can be obtained from vice chairman and publicity officer, James Michell on 01305 250347.

Coffee morning

DORCHESTER Area Community Partnership: Access Group is holding a combined coffee morning and update meeting at 10.30am in the Magistrates' Room, Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 16th.

Weldmar crossword

A CROSSWORD to raise money for the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust has gone on sale at the trust shop in South Street, Dorchester and the Tourist Information Centre in Trinity Street.

The first correct entry to be drawn when the competition closes on July 27th will win £20.

Young musicians' concert

YOUNG musicians from schools in the Dorchester area will be "in concert" at the Corn Exchange on Friday, May 10th.

The 7pm concert is being given in support of Julia's House, Dorset's only children's hospice.

A range of music groups will be performing, including the Flute Choir, Harmony Group, First Schools Orchestra, Ukulele Troupe, and the Middle Schools Orchestra.

Entry to the event will be free and refreshments will be provided. There will be a retiring collection in aid of the hospice.

Prince's Trust programme celebrate milestone

DORSET Fire and Rescue Service's Prince's Trust programme has been celebrating its 100th course with a presentation ceremony at Lulworth Castle.

The DFRS's 100th Prince's Trust programme has been running the 12 week personal development programme for a number of years.

It allows 16-25-year-olds to undertake different activities whilst they are working towards a nationally recognised award.

The course also offers the opportunity to spend a week away at a residential activity centre, undertake a project based in the community, complete a work placement and participate in a team challenge, involving caring for others.

Chief Fire Officer Darran Gunter said: "Every final Prince's Trust team presentation for us, is a very special event. To have supported 100 teams and positively influenced over 1,000 young people throughout Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole over the last 16



■ THE entire team and leaders. Photos courtesy of Dorset Fire and Rescue Service

years is simply inspiring. We know the Fire and Rescue Service does not just save lives if also changes lives - this was again evident at our team 100 final presentation where we heard from 12 young people about their personal progress and fresh hope for their futures."

Dorset Fire and Rescue Princes Trust Manager, Marie-Clare Nicholson said: "I have thought about this team and this night for a long time. It has been my mission to

reach team 100 - at one point three years ago I was the only employed member of staff, funding had diminished so much, so tonight, this milestone I am one happy, proud

and fortunate lady."

Harrison Harman, 19, and one of the 100th Team participants said: "I didn't know what the course was about, but once I had checked out

the website I thought it would be a great idea.

"I have got loads of experience and skills in communication, leadership and working with different people through-

out the course.

"I have also been offered a job to start in the next few weeks, things I could never have done if it wasn't for Prince's Trust."



■ PRINCE'S Trust Manager, Marie Clare Nicholson with Chief Fire Officer Darran Gunter receiving a certificate in recognition of 100 Princes Trust teams from Lord-Lieutenant Valerie Pitt-Rivers

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Support meetings for parents

RICOCHET, the support group for parents of gay children in the South West, will hold its monthly meeting in Dorchester on Saturday, May 4th.

Fathers and mothers from across the region and as far as the Channel Islands attend the meetings, a private time to share concerns over tea and coffee with people in the same situation.

Topics covered include how to tell friends and family, how others may react to the news and adjusting to a different future.

Ricochet founder Colette Hill says: "Other parents are the best people to talk to for those who have concerns. Our hope is that they will come to see being gay as just another version of normal."

The group's research earlier this year shows problems are more than halved when you share your worries with others in the same situation.

Parents can also visit the website, www.ricochet-dorset.org, email ricochet.enquiry@gmail.com or call the helpline on 07803 309781 for more information and support.

Volunteer vacancies

NEW vacancies being offered in the Dorchester area by the town's Volunteer Centre include working for Dorset Nightstop with young runaways; the WRVS and Dorchester Neighbourcar.

Help is also needed with the town's Athletic Club, the One World Multicultural Festival in July and Dorset Forest School.

Information about any of the posts, and others which the centre has, can be found by calling 01305 269214 or by visiting www.volunteering-dorset.org.uk.

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Going for a stroll through the woods

■ Thirty-six Dorchester Strollers met at the Pine Lodge Tearooms for a walk in Thorncombe Woods and Puddletown Forest at the weekend.

The walk went across to the Roman Road and the party walked down it, pausing to hear the leader read the short Thomas Hardy poem - the Roman Road.

The walk went via the main car park through the woods to the side of Hardy's cottage and the American memorial for a photograph, before going up the hill and across to the ridge. The group returned via another part of the Roman Road and Rushy Pond and back for a cream team.



Spirit of the 1940s brought to the big screen

THE latest film from director Ken Loach will be shown in Dorchester next Monday, May 6th, to celebrate May Day.

Dorchester, Weymouth and Portland Trades Union Council are putting on a film night in the Corn Exchange showing the new documentary "Spirit of '45".

The film is an documentary about how the spirit of unity which buoyed Britain during the war years carried through to create a vision of a fairer, united society.

Director Ken Loach has used film from Britain's regional and national archives, alongside sound recordings and contemporary interviews, to create a rich political

and social narrative.

Trades Council Secretary Tim Nicholls said: "This is a great film, it is not just of interest because of fascinating use of archive footage, but it shows what can happen when people join together with a common purpose of improving the lives of a nation. The NHS is just one of the great achievements of this period, and the film is a timely reminder of what we might lose."

Spirit of '45 is being shown in Dorchester Corn Exchange on Monday, May 6th at 7.30pm, with live music from 7pm. Entrance is free, though the Trades Council would welcome donations.



■ SCENES from the "Spirit of '45" being shown at the Corn Exchange, Dorchester on Monday, May 6th

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Open garden for charity

THE walled estate belonging to the family of South Dorset MP, Richard Drax, will be open to the public this weekend to raise money for Julia's House Children's Hospice.

Charborough Park's Highwood Garden will be opening on Sunday, May 5th for visitors to see blue-bells, daffodils and its famed collection of rhododendrons and azaleas. The garden is also home to the imposing Charborough Tower folly.

Access to the estate is via all three gates, including the landmark lion gate. Highwood will be open from 2.30pm to 6pm. Entry costs £4 for adults, £2 for children. No dogs.

There will be plant sale, a Julia's House stall and teas.

Julia's House is appealing for other Dorset garden owners to consider opening it to visitors to raise money for the charity. Please call Jennie at Julia's House on 01202 644220.

Annual meeting for multicultural network

THE annual meeting of the South West Dorset Multicultural Network is being held later in the month at the West Dorset District Council offices in Dorchester.

Nominations for committee posts have to be submitted by 5pm on Friday, May 10th.

The meeting is being held on May 15th from 6pm.

Time for peace

CHURCHES Together in Dorchester are organising a "Time for Peace" event in the Borough Gardens near the Amnesty Tree on Wednesday, May 8th at noon.

It will follow the same format as last year with three readings. This year one being given by a member of the Royal British Legion, one by a humanist and one by a local minister, each followed by a short period of reflection.

The event will last about 20 minutes, is free and open to anyone.

Dorset conservation scheme features in photography project

The Dorset Wildlife Trust's "West Dorset Living Landscape" project has been featured by award-winning photographer Mike McFarlane.

His 5,903 mile cycle ride around the UK pedalled into West Dorset to capture the results of the "Pastures New" project, where staff and volunteers have been working with local farmers and communities to implement conservation measures and restore wildlife habitats.

West Dorset Conservation Officer from Dorset Wildlife Trust, Nick Gray, said: "We have been focusing our efforts on landscape-scale conservation in partnership with farmers and landowners for several years.

"Mike's stunning panoramic views and virtual tours will help people to visualise where we are working and what we're up to, as well as the scale and scope of our Living Landscape initiatives."

The photography project, funded by the Tubney Charitable Trust and Aggregate Industries, included 91 other sites in the UK.

It took Mike a year to complete using a fold-up bike and public transport to reduce his carbon footprint.

"This was such an amazing job and for such a great organisation, very much up my street in terms of what I want to put back into society," said Mike, 39.

"I like to do something that's good for society, or good for the landscape, good for nature, so the project was definitely attractive."

The audio-visual tours are now available on The Wildlife Trust's website wildlifetrusts.org/360.



■ PHOTOGRAPHER Mike McFarlane whose pictures of West Dorset feature in a national 360-degree photo project



■ WEST Dorset's "Living Landscape" – now featured in a national photography project

Table top sale

TABLES can be booked at a sale for the Grove Pre-School on May 18th in Dorchester's Corn Exchange.

The sale will be open from 10am until 2pm. Those who would like a table, at £8 each, are asked to contact verity.batch@hotmail.co.uk

The event will include the sale of quality second hand clothes, toys and books.

Party for young walkers

DORSET Young Walkers celebrated their 10th anniversary with a party in Dorchester on Saturday.

The group were at the Colliton Club for a buffet and entertainment from Portalo Sunset, followed by a disco until past midnight.

Vets' football match

DORCHESTER Town Veterans will be taking on vets' from Wyke Victoria in a charity football match at the Avenue stadium on Sunday.

The 3pm kick-off on May 5th will raise money for Weldmar Hospicecare by collecting donations on entry.

Tolpuddle street fayre

TOLPUDDLE will be holding a Street Fayre this Sunday, May 5th, from noon until 5pm.

A variety of stalls and games will be on offer together with lunches and refreshments.

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Boost your bedrooms

ONE of the best ways to make your home more suited to your needs, especially if you have a growing family or want to work from home, is to add a bedroom.

Increasing the number of bedrooms can also put your home in a different price bracket when you come to sell.

The most obvious place to put an extra bedroom is upstairs, with all the others, and sometimes it's possible to use the space you already have.

For example, if the main bedroom spans the front of the house, you may be able to divide it in two, as long as each room has its own, separate window. This may not be as satisfactory as adding space, but it can work well if your home's big enough and you're on a limited budget.

When you come to sell, remember that couples and sharers will probably be looking for good-sized double bedrooms, while families may be happier to have more, smaller bedrooms if it means one for each child.

When rejigging the existing space isn't an option, consider converting the loft into a bedroom or bedrooms instead. If you can also fit a bathroom or shower room up there, and built-in storage, you've created the perfect master or guest suite.

The cheapest and easiest loft conversions are ones with skylights (eaves conversions), as the line of the roof is unchanged. However, this isn't ideal if the loft has limited space.

Building out the roof to create more useable space inside is often necessary, which means a (more expensive and complicated) dormer, mansard or hip-to-gable conversion.

The pitch of the roof can make a big difference to how useable the space is - some lofts don't have enough head height to make the conversion worthwhile unless you lower the ceilings in the rooms below. This is a big and expensive job and won't be practical if the ceilings are already quite low.

You also need room for a good-sized staircase up to the loft on the floor below and if this means losing a bedroom, you may not gain much by converting the loft.

Building regulations for loft conversions are very strict about having a safe means of escape in the event of a fire, so it's not necessarily the easiest way to add an extra bedroom.

Creating a downstairs bedroom, and preferably a

bathroom or shower room next to it, can work better, providing your home's layout is suitable.

Ground-floor extensions are usually used to add kitchen, dining and living space, but they can include bedrooms.

A two-storey extension is often better because you can create extra living space downstairs and bedrooms upstairs and it should be cheaper than doing a ground-floor extension and a loft conversion, but two-storey extensions aren't always easy to do with our planning system.

Another way to add a bedroom is converting your home's garage (or outbuildings) into one. If the garage is mostly used for storage and the stuff can be stored elsewhere, the garage may be more useful and valuable as a bedroom, as long as it's converted properly and sympathetically.

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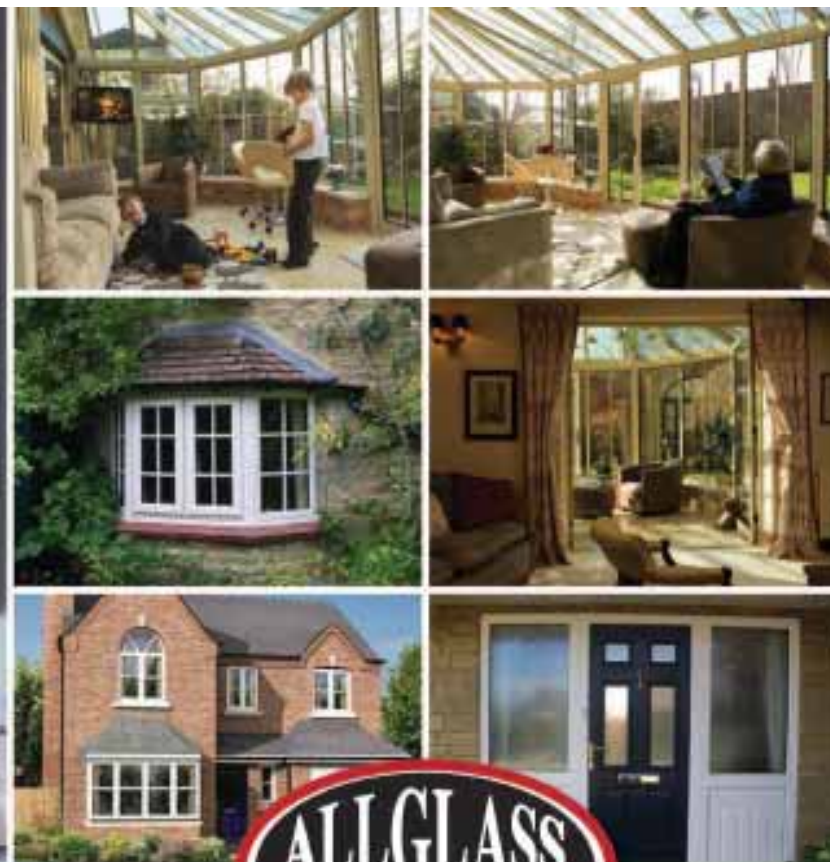
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In March 2011, Jim made the big step to go it alone and set up JLAC in his hometown of Lyme Regis. This has turned out to be a very successful step. With an ever increasing client base and good local knowledge, Jim has now taken on over 120 projects, with the majority of work coming in West Dorset, East Devon, South Somerset, but also the odd project from further afield, with work presently going as far as Buckinghamshire.

In Late January 2013, a new office premises was opened at 44 Church Street, Lyme Regis, where you will find Jim and some of his freelance staff.

In the past two years Jim has taken on a wide range of projects ranging from kitchen extensions, to barn conversions, new builds and was part of the team of consultants to gain outline planning permission for the new school in Uplyme, Devon.

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and into the world. This - Chris' fourth - album is described as "fiscal and political meltdown feature but in a more robust way - this is almost like a pub band singing hymns and anthems".

Justin Mitchell (Keyboards/Trumpet) and Felix Krish (Bass) join Chris as he sings humble hymns and sweeping statements. From Alzheimers to William Blake, Chris lovingly takes the pulse of his homeland and translates it into what could be his best album yet.

Chris Wood Trio's performance at the Electric Palace will be supported by The Douglas Firs - a sublime acoustic duo from Bournemouth whose love of nature is reflected in their song writing. Described by Purbeck Folk Festival's director as 'one of the finest songwriting duos in the South', the Firs have been spreading their roots on the live scene for over four years; playing to growing audiences around the UK at shows and festivals. With their influences ranging from the classic songwriters of the 60s to contemporary nu-folk artists, the crystal clear and sometimes ethereal vocals from Suzy Douglas combined with the delicate guitar work from Jimmy Douglas help weave the stories in their songs that creates their distinctive sound.

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MONDAY MAY 6TH

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MONDAY MAY 13TH

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DORCHESTER: The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will be meeting on 13 May 2013 2.30 pm in the Education Centre, Dorset County Hospital Dorchester when Christine Shaw will give a talk on Lesotho - "Through the Gates of Paradise". All retired Health Service employees are welcome.

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5.15 - 6.15pm PILATES
6.15 - 7.15pm SILKS AERIAL COURSE ADULTS (16+)
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6.00 - 6.45pm GROUP STUDIO CYCLING
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8.00 - 9.30pm VOLLEYBALL

THURSDAY
6.30 - 7.30pm KETTLECORE

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5.00 - 6.00pm SILKS AERIAL COURSE 11-16 YR OLDS
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TRADES COUNCIL FILM NIGHT FOR MAYDAY

Dorchester, Weymouth and Portland Trades Union Council are putting on a film night in the Corn Exchange to celebrate May Day this year.

They will be showing award winning director Ken Loach's new documentary "Spirit of '45". The film is an impassioned documentary about how the spirit of unity which buoyed Britain during the war years carried through to create a vision of a fairer, united society.

1945 was a pivotal year in British history. The unity that carried Britain through the war allied to the bitter memories of the inter-war years led to a vision of a better society. The spirit of the age was to be our brother's and our sister's keeper.

Director Ken Loach has used film from Britain's regional and national archives, alongside sound recordings and contemporary interviews, to create a rich political and social narrative. The Spirit of '45 hopes to illuminate and

celebrate a period of unprecedented community spirit in the UK, the impact of which endured for many years and which may yet be rediscovered today.

Trades Council Secretary Tim Nicholls said: "This is a great film, it is not just of interest because of fascinating use of archive footage, but it shows what can happen when people join together with a common purpose of improving the lives of a nation. The NHS is just one of the great achievements of this period, and the film is a timely reminder of what we might lose."

Spirit of '45 is being shown in Dorchester Corn Exchange on Monday May 6th at 7.30, with doors and live music from 7 p.m. Entrance is free, though the Trades Council would welcome donations.

For more info contact the Unison Office in Dorchester on 01305 224436 or email Tim Nicholls on timtuncoun@talktalk.net

Travels with a Donkey

PREPARE to go on a musical ride on a mercurial donkey deep into the soul of a small Spanish town. Mesmeric storyteller Mike Maran is bringing his beautiful production of Nobel Laureate Juan Ramon Jimenez's best-loved collection, Platero and Me to life at Bridport Arts Centre on Wednesday, May 8th, 7.30pm and at Dorchester Arts Centre on Friday, May 10th at 8pm.

Once upon a time, a hundred years ago, in a small whitewashed town near Seville overlooking fields of vines, olives, pomegranates and the Rio Tinto, there lived a little silver donkey called Platero and the Nobel Prize winning poet Juan Ramon Jimenez. His best-loved collection of stories paint an affectionate picture of his hometown where you meet

the characters and experience the gentle pattern of their lives in the timeless Andalusian landscape.

Mike Maran, last seen at Bridport Arts Centre in a Christmas Carol teams up with internationally renowned Georgian director Levan Tsuladze and puppeteer Nino Namitcheishvili, to create a breathtakingly beautiful adaptation of these delightful stories, intended for adults, accompanied by a classical guitar score especially recorded for this production by best selling recording artist, Craig Ogden.

Bridport Arts Centre will take you to the heart of Andalusia and will be selling Spanish wine and serving nibbles as part of the evening's entertainment.

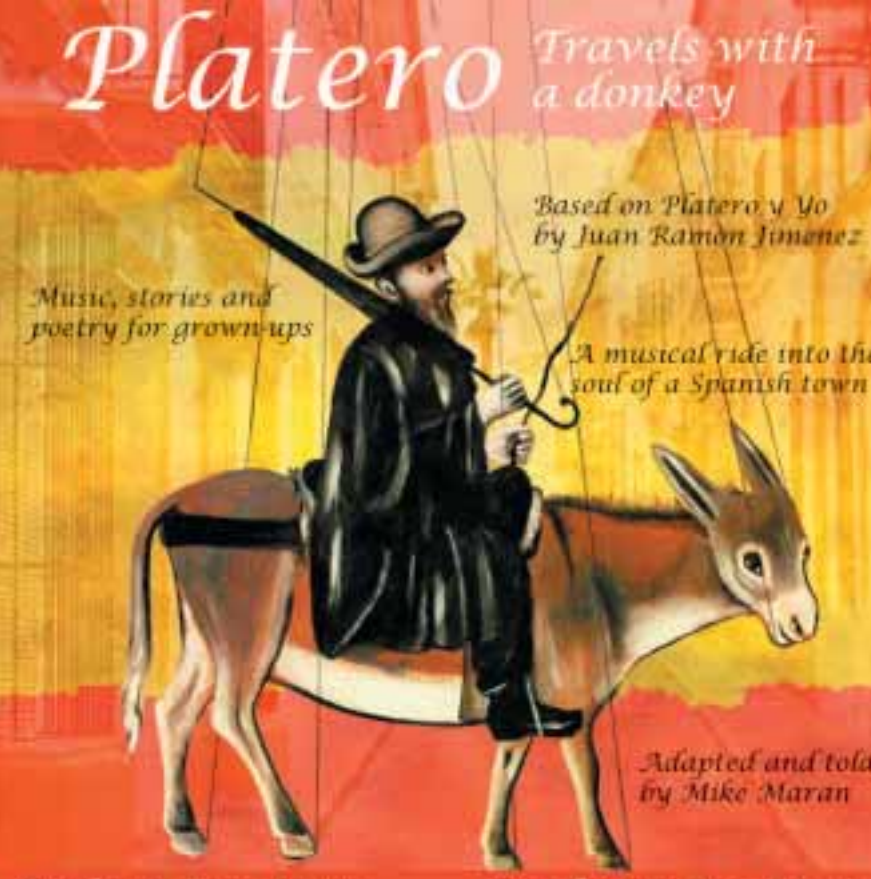
Marketing Manager, Lisa Wilcock,

said: "Mike Maran is always a favourite at Bridport Arts Centre so we're particularly excited to be hosting his labour of love Platero. It has everything from handmade puppets and excellent Spanish guitar music to a story that invites you to savour the simple things in life."

The show is suitable for adults and children aged 11+.

Tickets for Wednesday, May 8th for Bridport Arts Centre are £12 adult / £10 members and are available from the box office 01308 424204 or online from www.bridport-arts.com.

Tickets for Friday, May 10th for Dorchester Arts Centre are £12 / £10 members and are available from the box office 01305 266926 or online from www.dorchesterarts.org.uk



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CINEMA LISTINGS

Friday, April 19th - Thursday, April 25th

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Oblivion ^{12A}
Wed: 15.15, 19.45, Thu: 17.30

DORCHESTER PLAZA
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www.plazadorchester.com
Iron Man 3 (3D) ^{12A} Thu: 20.00
Evil Dead ¹⁸
Tues: 17.25, 20.00
Wed: 15.10, 17.25, 20.00
Thurs: 17.25, 20.00
Oblivion ^{12A}
Tues: 17.35, 20.20
Wed: 12.10, 14.50, 17.35, 20.20
Thurs: 17.35, 20.20
Olympus Has Fallen ¹⁵
Tues: 17.30, 20.15
Wed: 12.00, 14.50, 17.30, 20.15
Thurs: 17.30, 20.15
Scary Movie V ¹⁵
Tue: 18.00, 20.30
Wed: 15.15, 18.00, 20.30
Thurs: 17.15

WEYMOUTH CINEWORLD
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www.cineworld.co.uk
Oblivion ^{12A}
Wed: 14.00, 15.00, 17.00, 18.00, 20.00, 21.00
Thu: 14.00, 17.00, 20.00
Fri: 14.15, 17.15, 20.15
Sat-Sun: 11.15, 14.15, 17.15, 20.15
Mon: 14.15, 17.15, 20.15
The Place Beyond The Pines ¹⁵
Fri-Mon: 16.40, 19.50
Evil Dead ¹⁸
Daily: 14.10, 16.30, 18.50, 21.10
plus Wed: 22.40

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The Croods ^U
Wed: 13.40, 15.00, 16.10, 17.30, 18.40
Thurs: 16.20
Fri: 15.00, 17.30
Sat & Sun: 11.30, 12.30, 14.00, 15.00, 17.30 Mon: 14.00, 16.30
Scary Movie V ¹⁵
Wed: 16.40, 19.00, 21.15
Thu: 14.00, 18.50, 21.10
Iron Man 3 ^{12A}
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Olympus Has Fallen ¹⁵
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Sat-Sun: 12.30, 15.15, 18.00, 20.45
Mon: 15.15, 18.00, 20.45
G.I. Joe Retaliation ^{12A}
Wed: 14.15, 21.10
Jack The Giant Slayer ^{12A}
Wed: 14.00, 20.15
Fri: 14.00
Sat-Sun: 11.20, 14.00 Mon: 14.00
Love Is All You Need ¹⁵
Wed-Thurs: 14.30, 17.20, 20.10
Fri-Sun: 20.00
Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted ^{PG} Sat: 10.00am
Hotel Transylvania ^{PG} Sat: 10.10am
Wreck It Ralph ^{PG} Sat: 10.20am

This Week's releases

FAST & FURIOUS 6 ¹⁵

SIXTH instalment in the hit franchise sees Dom (Vin Diesel) and Brian (Paul Walker) return and join forces with Luke Hobbs (Dwayne Johnson) to take down a group of lethal mercenary drivers lead by Owen Shaw (Luke Evans) and a face from Dom's past...

Action thriller also starring Jason Statham, Michelle Rodriguez and Ludacris.



Paul Walker and Vin Diesel star in Fast & Furious 6

DEAD MAN DOWN ¹⁵

ACTION-PACKED revenge drama starring Colin Farrell, Noomi Rapace and Terrence Howard.

21 & OVER ¹⁵

Comedy from the writers of The Hangover. Stars Miles Teller, Justin Chon and Sarah Wright.



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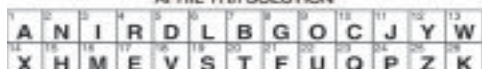
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



APRIL 17th SOLUTION



Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

- They have been worn by men in retirement (11)
- It turns quiet at the end (3)
- Does it provide wood for building aircraft? (5,4)
- Meet of the men attempt to find a way in (5)
- Get in an unusual profit (3,4)
- It contains a variety of provisions (8)
- Women haven't the face to use them! (6)
- In fairness, it's simply very cold water (7)
- Part of the audit labelled up to the same thing (5)
- Part of the tide of lawlessness? (5,4)
- Slip up out of moment (3)
- The top salesman in print? (4,7)

Down

- I'm quiet, but he probably won't be! (3)
- Pleased to be lucky (5)
- Soils satins, perhaps (6)
- Train that is brought to absolute rest (7)
- Evict a sailor and look the other way (4,5)
- His work is above most people! (11)
- Where games are won by the over-farmer (6,5)
- It makes one admission after another (9)
- It's clear I'd be involved in whatever occurred (7)
- Be up in a local tax and get discount (6)
- Live well on five hundred (5)
- It may be pierced or just pricked (3)



Quick Clues:

Across

- Sleight of hand (11)
- Employ (3)
- Transact (9)
- Takes off (5)
- Tarnished (7)
- Scream (5)
- Performer (7)
- Purchaser (5)
- Abandon (4,5)
- Fish (3)
- January 1st (3,5,3)

Down

- Sheep (3)
- Sea-eagles (5)
- Summary (6)
- Seller (7)
- Fancied (9)
- Get far ahead of (11)
- Starring part (7,4)
- Anticipation (9)
- Rapture (7)
- Part of the eye (6)
- Consecrate (5)
- Epoch (3)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

APRIL 17th SOLUTIONS

5	4	6	3	1	8	9	2	7
2	3	6	5	7	4	1	6	8
6	1	7	8	2	9	5	4	3
8	7	1	4	6	3	9	2	5
3	4	9	6	5	7	1	8	2
9	5	2	1	3	7	6	8	4
4	2	5	7	8	6	3	1	9
1	8	6	2	3	5	4	7	9
7	6	3	8	4	1	2	9	5

APRIL 17th CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 6 Enraged; 7 Get on; 9 Bunt; 10 Ribands; 12 Rear windows; 14 Staff nurses; 16 Tockler; 19 Lyric; 21 Sheep; 22 Stretch. Down: 1 Ingle; 2 Parnass; 3 Nell; 4 Ribald; 5 Low-down; 6 Pilease; 11 Printer; 13 Atrophy; 15 Fidget; 16 Elysee; 17 Pinch; 20 Sky. QUICK - Across: 6 Appoint; 7 Minor; 9 Later; 10 Cushion; 12 Wooden spoon; 14 Part company; 16 Cavalry; 19 Armas; 21 Acted; 22 Ordered. Down: 1 Speak; 2 Roles; 3 Exit; 4 Bishop; 5 Solomon; 8 Turns; 11 Adjoin; 13 Balance; 15 Travel; 16 Number; 17 Askew; 20 Art.



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Howard Marks, Eddie The Eagle, Scroobius Pip and more announced for Camp Bestival literary line-up

THE past few years at Camp Bestival have seen increasingly impressive literary line-ups, so this year organisers are thrilled to be announcing the biggest and best literary programme yet across the weekend of August 1st-4th at Lulworth Castle in The Guardian Literary Institute.

An inspirational selection of over 50 speakers, authors, poets, journalists, scientists, philosophers, kids' writers and illustrators will be presented during the weekend.

Rob da Bank said: 'Well here we go again with another bumper crop of literary folk for Camp Bestival 2013 - delving into the brains, minds and inner recesses of many of the country's greatest authors, poets and speakers with another bountiful mix of the well-known nestled along unsung heroes of their craft. I live my life surrounded by music and noise so the Guardian Literary Institute is always a welcome break from the hubbub of the festival and I normally learn more in 30 minutes there than in the rest of my year. See you on the sofas!'

The Guardian Literary Institute is handily situated in the Kids Garden and promises a grown-up, relaxed hang-out (with sofas!) to soak up the eclectic mix of literary delights. The ever popular 'How To' series welcomes national treasure Eddie 'The Eagle' Edwards to chat about recently being crowned champion of ITVs diving contest 'Splash', as well as his career as the UK's first Olympic ski jumper.

Next up is the fabulous Jo Whiley, one of the best loved presenters in the UK, who'll be talking about her impressive career spanning Channel 4 TV, BBC Radio 1 and now BBC Radio 2 in 'How to Present'.

The hugely respected human rights activist Trevor Phillips OBE will speak on the topic of 'How to Handle a Riot', and the fabulous and lovely-in-real-life Charlie Brooks (Janine in Eastenders) will be sharing her secrets of 'How to Play a Baddie', while The Guardian's chief features writer Simon Hattenstone shares the trials and tribulations of 'How to Interview'.

Mercury Award nominated folk



MR NICE | Howard Marks

musician Sam Lee will reveal his musical secrets in 'How to Collect Songs' and journalist and writer Jules Evans promises tools on how to achieve the good life in 'How Philosophy Can Improve Your Life'.

Royal Observatory Astronomer Marek Kakula teaches us 'How to Stargaze' whilst wilderness experts Rob & Leo take us back to basics in 'How to Be Wild'.

As the UK spoken word scene goes from strength to strength, Camp Bestival have bagged some of the top poets in the country to share their musings, led by the one and only chief wordsmith, Scroobius Pip. He has invited recent Ted Hughes Award winner Kate Tempest and the immensely talented Polarbear to join him on his Sunday session.

Camp Bestival stalwart and intrepid bon-viveur Howard Marks also returns to share his brand new spoken word show, 'Scholar, Smuggler, Prisoner, Scribe'. With trademark honesty and penetrating humour, Howard will look back at four extraordinary and action packed phases of his life.

As well as this incredible plethora of literary delights in The Guardian Literary Institute, there will also be offering a full line-up of kid's authors and illustrators, with something for all ages.

Then, at night, the woods will come alive with fire and dragons and you will be able to hear a specially written story on headphones as you explore the trail in the trees. Or gather again in The Story Den to watch the shadow puppets dance as the storytellers bring their legends to life.

So whether you are looking for some inspirational enlightenment, imaginary escapism, jaw-dropping spoken word, brain-crunching quiz sessions or to immerse the little ones in make-believe, we have something for everyone on our Camp Bestival literary line-up.

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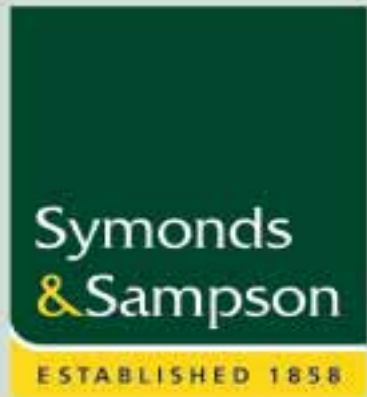
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Beaminster 01308 863100 BEA120038



Beaminster Guide £225,000
Well presented detached house. Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom. Garden. Garage. Parking. EPC Band D.
Beaminster 01308 863100 BEA130030



Bridport Guide £139,950
A well situated 1 bedroom single storey property, enjoying town centre convenience, with its own enclosed courtyard garden.
EPC Band B
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Charlton Down Guide £124,950 leasehold
A spacious well presented first floor apartment situated in a popular village. Sitting room/dining room, double bedroom, bathroom, fitted kitchen. Residents parking and gardens. EPC TBA
Poundbury 01305 251154 POU130092



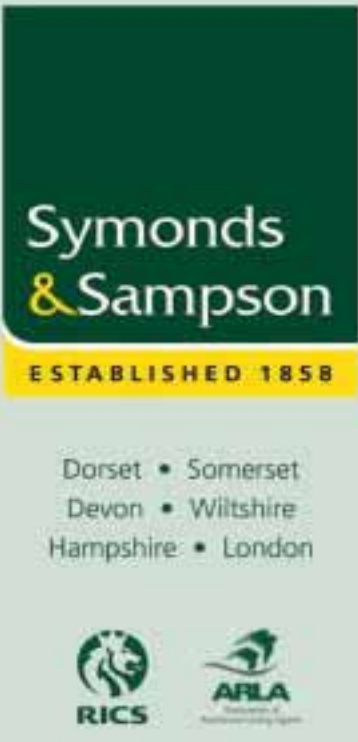
Sydling St. Nichola Guide £285,000
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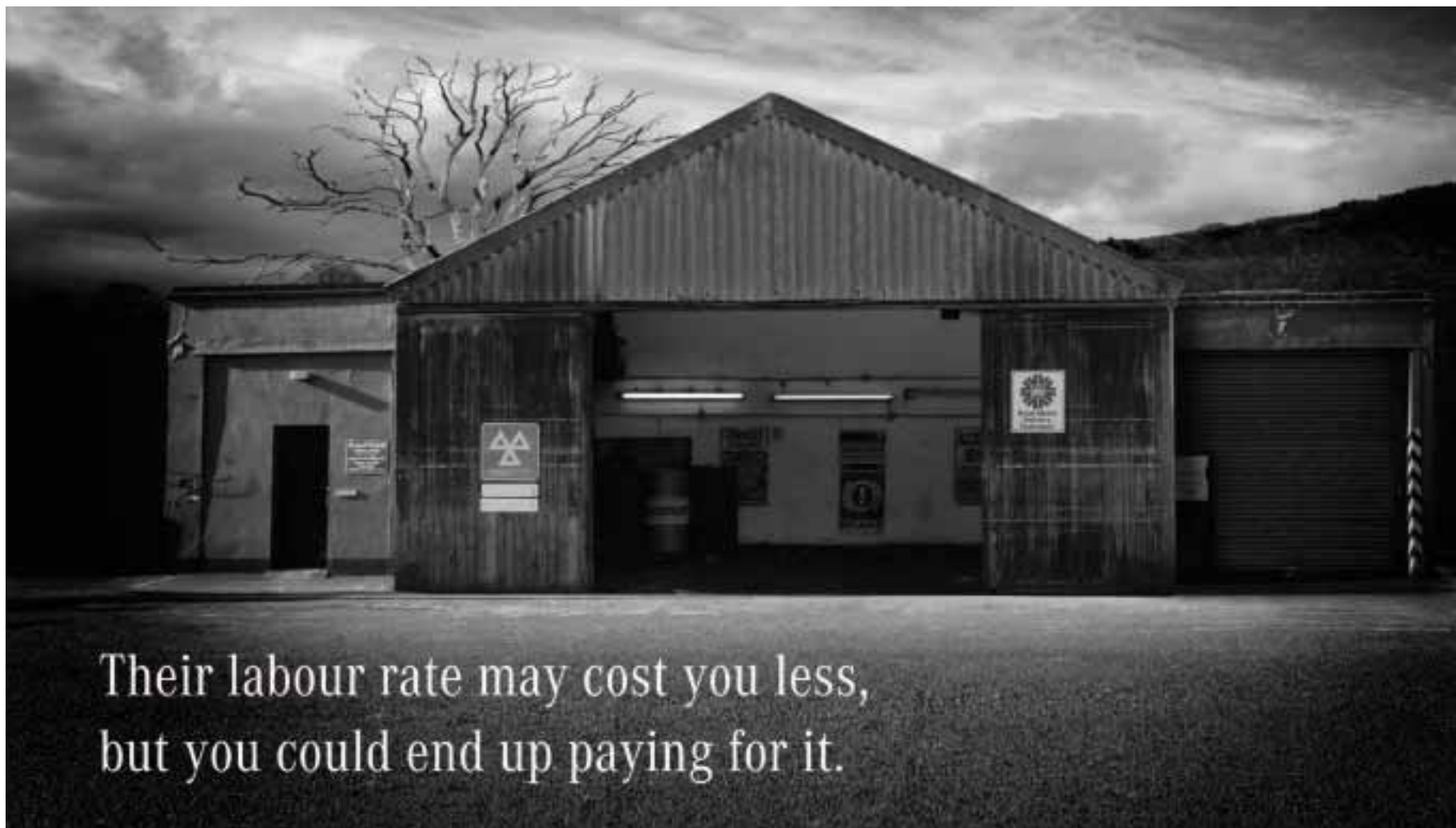
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HOLT united have now lost four times on the bounce as their title ambitions appear to be a distant memory.

A 2-1 defeat at the hands of mid-table side Bridport Reserves still leaves The Bulls in third place.

Wincanton keep the pressure on leaders Portland with an impressive 7-0 thrashing of Cranborne. The result keeps them four points behind the leaders with eight games to go.

Senior League

MERE TOWN celebrated winning the league title with an 8-1 win against fourth placed, and fighting for promotion, Witchampton United.

A hat-trick from Jordan Collins and one each for Nicholas Hewlett, Robert Clowes, Thomas Young, Scott Martin and Charles Parry sealed an impressive victory.

Kingston Lacy move up into second place as the race for promotion heats up. Peter Pritchard grabbed a brace in a 3-1 victory against Piddletrenthide United on Friday night.

Upwey & Broadwey moved up into the top five after their 6-0 victory against their visitors Okeford United. Charlie May netted four times and one each from Pete Bochonko and Ethan Devaney rounded off a convincing win.

Blandford United Reserves and Portland Town Reserves played out a goalless draw.

Division One

CORFE MULLEN United maintained their ten point lead at the top of division one following their 4-0 success against Wincanton Town Reserves and now only have to win one of their last two matches against the two bottom sides to win the league.

United's goals came from Jack Mcghan, Daniel Flocks, Steven Morris and Michael Fleetham.

South Cheriton keep the pressure on Corfe as they thrashed Bridport A 5-0.

The Kangaroos annihilated relega-

tion-threatened Swanage Town & Herston 10-0 with their strikes coming from Ross Foot (3), a brace for both Jamie Samways and Jamie Beasley and one each for Kieren Gallimore, Tom Whight and Ashley White.

Another side to hit ten goals were Poole Borough Reserves who defeated their visitors Chickerell United 10-1 with their marksmen being a hat trick from both Stephen Russell and Jessie Arnold and one each for Jake Clemons, Ashley Hancock, Callum Neate and Ryan Mabey.

Merley Cobham Sports Reserves moved off the foot of the table after their 3-1 win against their visitors Poundbury Rovers with goals coming from Oliver Clayton with a brace and one from Lawrence Windle.

Division Two

THE FOUR horse race for the title has now been reduced to three with AFC Cobham going down 4-1 against Portland Town with their consolation goal coming from Lee Madgewick.

While netting for the Islanders were Paul Cole, Danny Sheppard, Kieran Epsley and Aaron Riley.

Dorchester Sports head the table but have finished their fixtures and are waiting for teams to catch them up. Sports are six points clear at the top of Division Two, but there are still two teams that can catch them.

Weymouth Spartans put pressure on the top three with a 2-0 win against Sturminster Newton United Reserves with both goals coming from Marcus Simpson.

Corfe Castle moved up into the top five following their 4-1 win against Shaftesbury Town Reserves. Lee Turner grabbed a hat-trick and Ryan Norman also got on the score-sheet while netting for the hosts was Alex Andrews.

Gillingham Town also had a 4-1 win on their trip to Wareham Rangers.

Division Three

LEAGUE winners Lytchett Red Triangle kept up their good form with a 2-0 win mid-table side Stalbridge with their strikes coming from Liam Collins

and Dave Linton.

The second league spot has gone to Piddlehinton United despite losing their final league game.

Third placed Portesham beat Sturminster Marshall Reserves 4-1 with goals from Chris Birch, Matthew Croxson, Daniel Ridd and Michael Hoskins.

Division Four

BROADSTONE maintain the pressure on the top two, as they won 4-1 against United Football Club of Poundbury with their strikes coming from Alex Middleditch, Linton Robertson, a James Richard penalty and an own goal.

Puddletown stay in the top four thanks to a 3-1 victory over relegation-threatened Weymouth Spartans Reserves.

Bishops Caundle comfortably beat Portland Town Reserves 3-1 with goals from Matthew Lucas, Tom Coly and Shamel Lewis. While netting for Portland was Antony Desmond.

Division Five

PIMPERNE Sport look destined for the Division Five title as they increased their lead to ten points following their 4-2 success Wellworths.

Sports are now assured of the runners up spot as Third and fourth place sides Swanage Town & Herston A and Milborne Sports Reserves played out a 1-1 draw with the Sports marksmen being Matt Williams.

Lytchett RT Youth moved out of the bottom three with a 3-1 success against rock-bottom side Maiden Newton & Cattistock Reserves.

RESULTS

Saturday, April 27th

Dorset Premier League

Bridport Reserves 2-1 Holt United
Hamworthy Utd Res 1-1 Chickerell Utd
Merley Cob Sports 2-3 Poole Borough
Parley Sports 0-2 Swanage Town & Hers
(Abandon at half time)
Sherborne Town Res 1-3 Hamworthy Rec
Wareham Rangers 1-0 Shaftesbury Town
Weymouth Res 1-0 Blandford United
Wincanton Town 2-1 Portland United
Senior League
Blandford Utd Res 0-0 Portland United

Kingstone Lacy 3-1 Piddletrenthide Utd
Mere Town 8-1 Wtchampton United
Upwey & Broadwey 6-0 Okeford United

Dorset League Division One

Corfe Mullen Utd 4-0 Wincanton Res
Kangaroos 10-0 Swanage Town Res
Merley Cob Res 3-1 Poundbury Rovers
Poole Boro Res 10-1 Chickerell Utd Res
Bridport A 0-5 South Cheriton

Dorset League Division Two

Donhead United 4-6 Ship Inn Wool
Shaftesbury Town Res 1-4 Corfe Castle
Wareham Res 1-4 Gillingham Town A
Weymouth Spart 2-0 Sturminster Utd
Portland Town 4-1 AFC Cobham

Dorset League Division Three

Lytchett RT 2-0 Stalbridge
Portsham Utd 4-1 Sturminster Marsh Res

Dorset League Division Four

Broadstone 4-1 United Club Poundbury
Puddletown 3-1 Weymouth Spartans Res
Bishops Caundle 3-1 Portland Town Res

Dorset League Division Five

Kangaroos Res 7-4 Portland Town
Milborne Sports Res 1-1 Swanage Town
Pimperne Spts Society 4-2 Wellworthys

FIXTURES

Saturday, May 4th

Dorset Premier League
Bridport Reserves v Cranborne
Chickerell United v Parley Sports
Hamworthy United Res v Tintinhull
Holt United v Portland United
Merley Cobham Sports v Weymouth Res
Poole Borough v Shaftesbury Town
Sherborne Twn Res v Swanage Twn & H

Senior League

Okeford United v Mere Town
Portland United Res v Gillingham Town
Sturminster Utd v Wtchampton Utd
Upwey & Broadwey v Westland Sports
Blandford Utd Res v Piddletrenthide Utd

League Division One

South Cheriton v Chickerell United Res
Wincanton Res v Swanage Town Res

Dorset League Division Two

Corfe Castle v The Balti House
Shaftesbury Res v Weymouth Spart
Ship Inn Wool v Donhead United
Wareham Res v Sturminster Newt Utd

Dorset League Division Three

Lytchett RT v The Belvedere Inn
Portesham United v Stalbridge

Dorset League Division Four

Mere Town Res v Portland Town Res
Cranborne Res v Puddletown (10:30 KO)
Broadstone v AFC Blandford
Weymouth Spart Res v Utd Poundbury

Dorset League Division Five

Marrnhull v Swanage Town & Herston A
Wellworthys v Maiden Newton & Cat

MIDWEEK FIXTURES

Dorset Premier League

Monday , May 6th

Bridport Reserves v Wareham Rangers
Bridport Res.....29 11 7 11 8 40
Holt United v Tintinhull
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Cranborne.....32 7 8 17 -43 29
Hamworthy.....28 7 7 14 -12 28
Merley Sports.....30 6 5 19 -35 23
Sherborne.....30 5 6 19 -42 21
Poole Boro.....30 6 2 22 -52 20

Wednesday May 8th

Wincanton Town v Bridport Reserves
Sherborne Town Reserves v Tintinhull
Swanage Town & Hers v Hamworthy Rec

Thursday, May 6th

Hamworthy Utd Res v Merley Cob Spts
Senior League
Monday, May 6th
Gillingham Town Res v Weymouth Spts
Sturminster Utd v Upwey & Broadwey
Westland Sports v Okeford United

Tuesday, May 7th

Kingston Lacy v Wtchampton United
Dorset League Division One
Monday, May 6th
Kangaroos v South Cheriton
Wincanton Town Res v Bridport A
Corfe Mullen United vChickerell United

Wednesday, May 8th

Swanage Town & H Res v Chickerell Res
Dorset League Division Two
Monday, May 6th
Shaftesbury Res v Wareham Rangers Res
Weymouth Spart v Ship Inn Wool
Portland Town v Donhead United

Wednesday, May 8th

Sturminster N Utd v Gillingham Town A
Ship Inn Wool v Wyke Regis Social Club
Dorset League Division Three
Monday, May 6th
Sturminster Marshall v Stalbridge
Lytchett RT v Bere Regis Reserves
Stickland United v TheBelvedere Inn

Dorset League Division Four

Monday, May 6th
Mere Town Res v UFC Poundbury
Weymouth Spart Res v AFC Blandford

Thursday, May 9th

Puddletown v Corfe Mullen Reserves
Dorset League Division Five
Monday, May 6th
Pimperne Spts Soc v Swanage Town A

Wednesday, May 8th

Maiden N & C Res v Pimperne Sps Soc

AS THEY STAND

Premier	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Portland Utd.....	27	22	2	3	63
Wincanton.....	28	21	4	3	57
Holt United.....	29	19	3	7	24
Hamw'thy Res.....	30	17	4	9	52
Tintinhull.....	29	16	4	9	7
Blandford Utd.....	33	15	1	17	46
Chickerell Utd.....	29	12	8	9	10
Weym'th Res.....	29	13	5	11	1
Parley Sports.....	29	13	4	12	4
Shaftesbury.....	30	13	2	15	-8
Bridport Res.....	29	11	7	11	8
Wareham Ran.....	30	11	7	12	4
Swanage Twn.....	28	10	3	15	-23
Cranborne.....	32	7	8	17	-43
Hamworthy.....	28	7	7	14	-12
Merley Sports.....	30	6	5	19	-35
Sherborne.....	30	5	6	19	-42
Poole Boro.....	30	6	2	22	-52

Senior League	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Mere Town.....	23	20	2	1	53
Kingston Lacy.....	23	14	3	6	22
Gillingham.....	23	14	2	7	18
Witchampton.....	23	14	2	7	11
Upwey & Broa.....	21	10	4	7	36
Sturminster.....	22	10	6	18	36
Westland Spts.....	21	10	15	35	
Stourpaine.....	26	8	5	13	-18
Piddle'thide.....	24	8	12	14	-28
Blandford Utd.....	23	7	3	13	-26
Portland Utd.....	25	6	4	15	-22
Sturminster M.....	26	5	18	-34	20
Weymouth.....	22	3	7	12	-28
Okeford Utd.....	20	4	12	-30	16

Division One	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Corfe Mullen.....	20	18	2	0	50
South Cheritn.....	18	15	1	2	42
Milborne Spts.....	20	11	4	5	28
Bere Regis.....	21	9	3	9	6
Kangaroos.....	21	8	5	8	-26
Swanage Town.....	21	7	3	11	9
Wincanton.....	16	6	4	-1	-22
Poole Boro.....	20	6	3	11	-21
Poundbury.....	20	6	4	11	-12
Swanage.....	16	5	10	-22	18
Merley Cob.....	20	4	12	-23	16
Chickerell.....	19	4	1	14	-40

Division Two	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Dorchester Sp.....	24	16	5	3	37
AFC Cobham.....	23	15	2	6	35
Balti House.....	22	15	2	5	31
Weymouth Sp.....	20	12	3	3	42
Corfe Castle.....	20	10	2	10	-1
Gillingham A.....	22	8	4	10	5
Portland Twn.....	22	7	6	9	-3
Shaftesbury.....	21	7	4	10	0
Wyke Regis.....	21	7	4	10	-16
Wareham.....	20	6	4	10	-22
Ship Inn, Wool.....	19	4	4	11	-21
Donhead Utd.....	21	5	1	15	-32
Sturminster.....	21	5	1	15	-40

Division Three	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Lytchett RT.....	18	17	0	1	77
Piddlehinton.....	20	13	4	3	43
Portesham.....	19	10	3	6	33
Maiden N&C.....	20	9	3	8	-7
Handley Spts.....	20	8	4	8	-5
Belvedere Inn.....	16	7	4	5	8
Stalbridge.....	18	6	5	7	-6
Sturminster.....	16	6	2	10	-17
Stickland Utd.....	19	3	6	10	-16
Bere Regis Res.....	17	2	5	10	-29
Owermoigne.....	19	2	2	15	-45

Division Four	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Mere Town.....	16	11	4	38	34
AFC Blandford.....	16	10	4	2	33
Broadstone.....	16	10	3	3	37
Puddletown.....	16	10	3	10	33
Cranborne Res.....	17	7	3	7	-13
Bishops Cau.....	18	6	3	9	-2
UFC Pound.....	16	5	3	-5	-21
Portland Res.....	17	4	6	7	-9
Corfe Mullen.....	17	2	15	-45	6
Weymouth.....	15	2	1	12	-44

Division Five	PW	D	L	GD	Pts
Pimperne.....	17	15	0	2	60
Kangeroos.....	19	10	5	2	35
Swanage A.....	15	11	4	0	47
Milborne Res.....	20	11	4	5	28
Wellworthys.....	19	10	3	6	24
Lytchett RT.....	20	6	4	10	-22
Broadstone.....	20	6	2	12	-15
Marnhull.....	18	5	3	10	-18
Portland.....	20	5	2	13	-27
Handley Res.....	20	4	3	13	-66
Maiden N&C.....	16	3	2	11	-30

Consistency the name of the game for the big two

By Stuart Broom

BOTH Dorchester and Weymouth go into the new cricket season on Saturday under new leadership and looking for consistency to ensure improvement on their last campaigns.

Weymouth finished fifth in the Dorset Futral Plan Premier League having won seven and lost seven, whilst Dorchester suffered their worst season for some time finishing seventh, winning six and losing eight of their fourteen games.

Matt Lawes has taken over as skipper from Dean Janaway at Weymouth and is looking forward to the challenge and looking for some of the younger players to take on the mantle of the older team members.

"Consistency is very important and that starts by having a settled side. Last year we suffered with lots of changes and so I am hoping that we can get a regular team.

Lawes (25) should be fit having just returned from a five-month cycling tour of New Zealand, something he will be maintaining during the summer by taking part in the weekly Moreton TLI Cycle Race Series.

"I will be looking to some of the younger players such as batsmen Jonny Armfield and Kieron Womble, and bowler Dan Hutchings to come through as the mainstays.

"Last year was a difficult one for the club, but we are looking to build up the youth set up and consolidate this season. We want to at

least maintain a midtable position but will be aiming for a top four spot."

Weymouth Seconds will be competing in Division Three this term where they will be led by a variety of older players.

Dan Belt will lead **Dorchester** this season. The 25-year-old Dorset all rounder looks to guide the county town back to glory after a poor season last year.

tough start

Rob Waite is the only absentee this term having moved away, but Shaun Little, a right arm off spinner all rounder, returns after a year out. "It will be like having a new player with Shaun having been out for a year, and all the youngsters that came through and made their mark last season will have a year's experience under their belts."

They start with a tough opener, home at the Rec to reigning champions Wimborne & Colehill, but Belt relishes the challenge and is looking forward to a successful season.

The 2nd XI will play in Division Three under the captaincy of Stuart Beasley, whilst Simon Joslin will skipper the 3rd XI in Division Five North and West.

Promoted **Martinstown** will hope to make a name for themselves in Division One. Danny Dancer's youthful side will be enhanced by the addition of Bridport's David Herbert,

Meanwhile, the 2nd's under the guidance of Chris Monteith will have plenty of local derbies

with Abbotsbury, Crewkerne and Portland RT 2nd's also in Division Five North and West.

The one absentee from the **Beaminstor** side this year will be Nick David. "Noddy's" knees are feeling the strain and so the talented batsman and occasional bowler has decided to give them a rest.

Captain Will Everitt, who himself is recovering from a broken leg sustained playing rugby in January said: "Noddy" has been a great stalwart of the side and his talent and experience will be sadly missed.

"I understand that he is going to stay involved with the club helping on the ground and coaching the youngsters as well as spending more time with his young family, but I hope that after a rest he might feel the urge to return to play the occasional match."

Everitt confirmed that the rest of last season's players were all available, but expected a sticky start with several players also involved with the end of the football season.

Unfortunately Beaminstor will have an awful lot of travelling this summer as Division Two consists mainly of teams from the Bournemouth area.

Hugh Rathbone will again captain Beaminstor 2nd's who will play in Division Six.

Cattistock will have two new faces in their line up this season. All rounder Jon Legg and leg spinner Jacob Berry have joined them from Thornford whilst Martin Oliver and brother

Steve apparently will not be.

Unlike Beaminstor 1st, Cattistock will have Portland Red Triangle 1st, once again skippered by Grant Neven, Dorchester 2nd's and Weymouth 2nd's as local derbies in Division Three.

Bridport skipper Liam Toohill reported a good turn out for their signing on night and first training sessions, and confirms a squad of 16 or 17 to tackle life in Division Four. Alex Lee will join his brother Ollie who played for the club last season; both are all rounders.

Toohill will miss three games during the season due to his coaching commitments, but is looking forward to the season.

Charlton Down has entered a Saturday side this year for the first time in their ten year history. This is due to the arrival of Pete Tucker from Dorchester. "Tommy" spent 20 years at the county town coaching a

MAGPIES REPORTS

BY STUART BROOM

Watto way to end record breaking season

Dorchester Town 2 Weston-super-Mare 1
BLUE SQUARE SOUTH- ATT: 623

A BEN WATSON brace helped Dorchester Town to victory over Weston-super-Mare and their highest ever position in pyramid football history, whilst setting a club record 65 Blue Square South points.

With Kieffer Moore having to withdraw at the last moment through sickness, Josh Tennant who has been in deadly form for the reserves of late, was given the place alongside "Watto" up front.

Any chance of a large crowd seeing a classic game between two sides who just missed the play-off's was spoiled by a bobbly pitch and a strong wind that blew down the pitch from the Tesco superstore end.

The Seagulls with the wind behind them in the first half had the first chance on nine minutes but Brett Trowbridge badly scuffed his shot wide of goal from 10 yards.

The Magpies took the lead on 16 minutes when Tennant neatly flicked the ball over the top of the visitors defence for Watson who drew keeper Lloyd Irish before blasting a right foot shot past him from 15 yards.

Neither side could really deal with the wind that forced errors from both sides, but Charlie

Clough remained composed in the heart of the Magpies defence.

Daile Grubb might have done better when presented with a clear sight of goal just after the half hour from Ashley Kingston's pass but he fired a rather timid 20 yard shot straight at home keeper Jason Matthews, before Kingston tried an ambitious 35 yard lob that just dropped beyond the angle of Matthews' goal.

With the elements in their favour in the second-half, the home crowd might have expected to see their side in the ascendancy but Weston equalised after three minutes when Trowbridge was allowed time and space to set up a 20 yard drive that beat Matthews low down to his left.

The goal led to the Seagulls best spell of the match with plenty of possession but little to show in way of shots on goal, although they went close when Chas Hemming stepped over Kingston's cross, but Kane Ingram under pressure from Magpie's skipper Mark Jermyn skied his close range effort over the bar.

At the other end Sam Malsom tried curling a free kick in from an acute angle after being fouled by Jamie Price, but he over hit it beyond the far post, and it looked like the game

would end in stalemate.

However midway through the half Dan Way replaced Tennant, and he had an almost instant effect. Weston failed to clear the ball on 71 minutes and it was Way that slid the ball inside the box to Watson who stretching, managed to stab the ball past Irish from near the penalty spot. The keeper got a touch, but could not stop it rolling over the line.

There was no way back for the Seagulls after that as Dorchester buoyed by the goal, managed to see the game out quite comfortably.

In the last minute of normal time in an identical incident to earlier, Price chopped Malsom down on the left hand edge of the penalty area, and this time the Magpies winger got the weight of shot correct, but Irish just managed to hold on to.

The crowd were justifiably happy at the final whistle that ended Dorchester's best season ever.

Magpies striving for record breaking total
Hayes & Yeading United 1
Dorchester Town 3

BLUE SQUARE SOUTH- ATT:

THE hosts, safe from relegation perhaps thought that Dorchester had nothing to play for in their penultimate match.

However, they hadn't accounted for the fact that although a play-off place was beyond them, Magpies manager Phil Simkin was keen to overhaul the club's record points total, and needed at least a point to help achieve this.

With Lewis Morgan unwell, Danny Way was drafted in at left back with Jake Smeeton moving forward into midfield.

Charlie Clough went close early on with a header from a corner that flew over the bar, but it was Hayes who took the lead against the run of play on 14 minutes when the Magpies central defenders failed to close down Tom Daniels who was allowed to turn in the box before shooting past Jason Matthews.

But their celebrations were short lived when virtually from the kick-off Ben Watson out-paced the home defence to fire the equaliser under keeper Brandon Hall.

The only other decent chance in the first half came on 40 minutes when Kieffer Moore was just wide with a header from Nick Crittenden's corner.

The Magpies took the lead just before the

hour when Sam Malsom cut in from the right and beat two defenders, and when a third stood off him he thumped his shot beyond Hall.

Only once was Matthews really tested in the second half but he did well, getting down at the post to save John Goddard's shot that came through a ruck of players.

Clough sealed the points on 77 minutes when he cushioned Crittenden's corner on his chest on the back of the penalty area, before producing a sublime volley that flew into the top corner of the net.

Before the end Watson might have added to the score; first seeing his volley flash wide of the far post before Hall thwarted him with a splendid save as he broke through the home defence.

shocked

Simkin said: "It was a good win. They've been on a decent run and gave us a hard game but I think they were shocked at the way we approached the game,

"We were very competitive in what was a good performance.

"We changed our shape at half-time to stop them passing the ball and scored two excellent goals to take the game."

Charlie is their darling!

CHARLIE Clough was the supporter's choice as their player of the year this season.

The versatile defender/midfielder polled most votes at the game on Saturday and was presented with the trophy at the club's annual presentation evening later that day.

Neil Martin earned the respect of his colleagues who voted him their Player's Player of the Year, whilst Kate Taylor who among other duties runs the weekly bingo sessions, received the Club Person of the Year.

Jamie Gleeson who has been with the club for eight seasons and made over

300 appearances, won the Dinky Curtis Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Service.

Striker Ben Watson won the Most Sporting Player and Jake Smeeton also collected the April Player of the Month award.

Other winners were Senior Supporter of the Year: Adrian and Della Bradley; Junior Supporter of the Year: Ryan Blair and Most Promising Player: Tom Oliver.

Our photo (right, courtesy of Harold Gill) shows: Back Ben Watson (left) and Jamie Gleeson, front (l-r): Charlie Clough, Neil Martin, Kate Taylor and Jake Smeeton.



Cricketers take on footballers

PORTLAND United Football Club Youth Section have thrown down the gauntlet to their cricketing companions on the island, Portland Red Triangle Cricket Club, to play them at football, and the cricketers had no hesitation in taking up the challenge to raise funds for the youth section.

Manager Grant Neven feels that the cricketers will be more than a match for the esteemed opponents. He said: "It's been a long while coming, but finally the sports clubs on the island are making great headway with mutual cooperation and fundraising.

"The cricket club have always strived to bring the sporting clubs of the island together, and we hope that this will be the first of many joint events involving both clubs.

"The footballers will be playing us in a T20 cricket match later in the season; a game which should produce some excellent cricket.

"On the footballing front, the cricketers have one or two handy players and will certainly be no push overs."

The game takes place on Friday May 10th (ko 6.30pm) at Grove Corner, home of Portland United FC.

Admission is £2 for adults with children free. There will be a BBQ, an open bar and a raffle.

Both clubs would like to see a good crowd attending what promises to be an entertaining evening.

MARTIAL ARTS

Encouraging signs for new club

A NEW club offering all types of mixed martial arts and well as traditional fitness routines has had to move to larger premises due to increased membership.

The Ultimate MMA Academy opened in February last year but due to increased membership in the gym has recently moved to Lower Edmund Street and recently had an open day which was well attended, where the main feedback was that people were surprised at the number of activities available.

The club offers all types of mixed martial arts, including Muay Thai, Boxing, Ju-Jitsu Judo and children's classes as well as all types of fitness training, where fitness boot camps are available.

The club is owned by Sam White and her partner Steve Dorney who together with four qualified instructors run the classes.

There are plans to add a hair salon to the gym section.



■ **PLENTY OF VARIETY:** A busy day at the opening of the new premises

Former player remembered

BRIDPORT Rugby Club and Weymouth Rugby Club remembered a former player Gary Hayward who died in tragic circumstances last year, by playing a memorial game in his memory at the Brewery Fields recently.

Gary played for both clubs in his career and he was renowned as a tenacious and fearless player who was always at the heart of rucks and mauls.

Gary's family and over 150 spectators watched over 40 players produce an entertaining game in which a minutes silence was held before kick-off.

The starting line-up for both teams included as many players who used to play with Gary, who still play or could be persuaded to dust off their boots, or put lini-

ment on the creaking joints.

Inevitably some of the veterans had to give way for younger players; but all gave a good account of themselves.

The final score ended 33-31 to Weymouth, although Bridport had led 19-5 at half time.

However, having loaned the Seaside's some young players to cover for aching joints and injuries things changed, and with the slope advantage, Weymouth fought back to win with a last minute conversion.

Everyone enjoyed themselves, especially helped by the cases of cider and lager provided by the Hayward family, and following a raffle and the sale of refreshments.

The clubs then presented the Hayward family with a donation to the charity of their choice.



■ **REMEMBERING:** Peter Brook (President BRFC) presents a cheque to the Hayward family watched by Mark Perkins (BRFC Vice Chairman).

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INSIDE: Local sport round-up

Simkin: I wouldn't have believed them

REFLECTING on Dorchester Town's greatest achievement in the club's history, manager Phil Simkin asked if the result had exceeded his expectations said: "Absolutely, yes. If someone had told me we would get 65 points and finish eighth, I wouldn't have believed them. On our resources? No way!

"All I thought about at the start of the season was getting 40 points to stay in the league, which I think you'll find every manager starts the season thinking the same.

"That gives you a chance of staying up because there is so little between a lot of the sides in this league."

The Magpies finished with 65 points and eighth place in the Blue Square South, just missing out on a play-off place.

Although disappointed they didn't quite make it after getting themselves back in the mix with a string of good results, they suffered a poor run in March which killed-off their chances.

"Easter killed us with the suspensions and illness, but we still did very well considering our situation."

The county town boss had just watched his side complete their season with a hard earned 2-1 victory over Weston-super-Mare.

"That was a good way to finish; we've beaten a very good side. Those players have been together for about 6 or 7 years, since they were kids under the same manager, and you could see that. I'm delighted to have finished with a win and delighted to have set a record.

"The combination of the wind and the pitch made it difficult for both sides. We had to work hard for it - they man-marked Ashley (Nicholls) to stop him playing, but we overcame that.

"Weston are clever at keeping the ball and trying to get you to go in and shut them down, but instead we kept our shape and defended well and they had nowhere to go.

"I'm really pleased for Watto (Ben Watson) because he has worked so hard all season and the couple today takes him to 17 goals which is excellent. That's what we brought him for, and now we need to ensure we hold on to him."

Looking at the younger talent and the future of the club he added: "Josh Tennant also did

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fine alongside him and I thought he did well for the first goal.

"However he's found out today the difference between Wessex Wyvern and the Conference, but you can only get experience by playing him.

"Danny Way did exceptionally well when he came on; he always does. He's full of energy and is going to be a valuable player for us. He's got good vision and picks a pass."

Doubts over Moore and Clough staying on at The Avenue

MANAGER Phil Simkin admitted that both Kieffer Moore and Charlie Clough have attracted a lot of interest from other clubs and may be on the move in the summer.

Moore had to withdraw from Saturday's match having sustained an ankle injury at Hayes & Yeading in the week and then feeling

ill prior to the game.

"Whether that's the last time he's played for us I don't know. There is quite a lot of interest in him and a lot of things going on at the moment"

Moore has only been at the club since February and missed several games with injury, but still managed add seven goals to the 13 he scored for Truro City before his transfer.

"For a lad that was playing Devon county football two seasons ago he has made remarkable progress."

Clough joined last summer and has been outstanding for the Magpies and this was recognised by winning the Supporters Club's Player of the Year Award which he received at the club's end of season dinner on Saturday evening.

He has made no secret of the fact that he would like to return to the Football League and Simkin added: "I'm not sure about Charlie Clough either as he has attracted a lot of interest throughout the season, but I would like to think the squad will be much as it is... but I can't be sure."



TOP MAN: Manager Phil Simkin masterminding his side's success on Saturday

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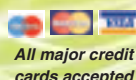
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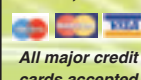
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